

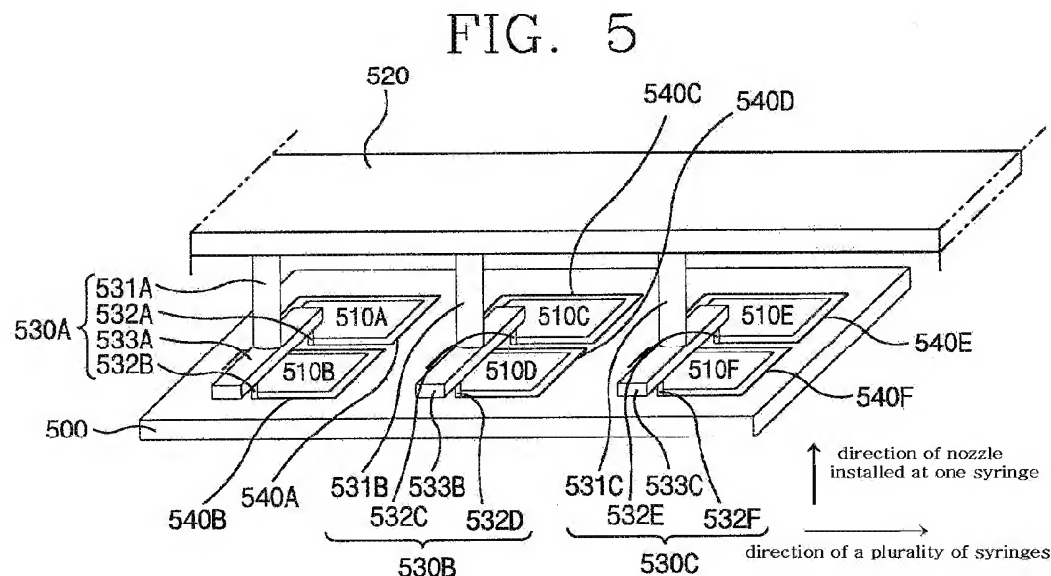
REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Non-Final Office Action dated March 12, 2010 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

By this Amendment, claim 18 is amended. Accordingly, claims 18-19 are currently rejected, with claims 1-17 and 20-33 being withdrawn from consideration. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 18 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as falling comply with the enablement requirement. Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the amendment in claim 18, this rejection is believed to be moot.

As shown in Fig. 5, a plurality of syringes is installed at the support extended in the one direction (for example, x-direction) and a plurality of nozzles are installed at each syringe in the other direction perpendicular to the one direction (for example, y-direction). Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that Fig. 5 depicts an assembly in which the extension direction of a plurality of N syringes in the support is substantially perpendicular to that of the nozzles installed at each syringe of a plurality of syringes.



Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 18 and 19 contain subject matter which was described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one

skilled in the relevant art that the inventor, at the time the application was filed, has possession of the claimed invention.

Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911.

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